

REMARKS

In the Official Action mailed on **14 March 2006**, the Examiner reviewed claims 1-25. The disclosure was objected to because of informalities. Claims 3 and 7 were objected to because of informalities. Claims 1-8, 11-20, and 23-25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Gupta et al (USPN 5,881,280, hereinafter "Gupta"). Claims 9-10, and 21-22 were allowed

Objections to the disclosure

The disclosure was objected to because of informalities.

Applicant has amended FIG. 1A as described above.

Applicant has replaced the title with the title suggested by the Examiner.

Objections to the claims

Claims 3 and 7 were objected to because of informalities.

Applicant has amended claims 3, 7, 15, and 19 to correct the informalities noted by the Examiner. No new matter has been added.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) and 35 U.S.C. §103(a)

Independent claims 1, 13, and 25 were rejected as being anticipated by Gupta.

Applicant has amended independent claims 1, 13, and 25 to include allowable limitations from dependent claims 9 and 21. Dependent claims 9 and 21 have been canceled without prejudice. Dependent claims 10 and 22 have been amended to correct antecedent basis.


Hence, Applicant respectfully submits that independent claims 1, 13, and 25 as presently amended are in condition for allowance. Applicant also submits that claims 2-8 and 10-12, which depend upon claim 1, and claims 14-20

and 22-24, which depend upon claim 13, are for the same reasons in condition for allowance and for reasons of the unique combinations recited in such claims.

CONCLUSION

It is submitted that the present application is presently in form for allowance. Such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to FIG. 1A. This sheet, which includes only FIG. 1A, replaces the original sheet including FIG. 1A. In Fig. 1A, Applicant has clearly indicated processor 100. This amendment finds support in Paragraph [0025].

Attachment: Replacement Sheet.